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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Wooden Cabinets and Vanities and Components Thereof from the People's Republic of China: Postponement of Preliminary Determination in the Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigation

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce

DATES: Applicable [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*].

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On March 26, 2019, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) initiated a less-than-fair-value (LTFV) investigation of imports of wooden cabinets and vanities and components thereof from the People's Republic of China.<sup>1</sup> Currently, the preliminary determination is due no later than August 13, 2019.

Postponement of Preliminary Determination

Section 733(b)(1)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), requires

Commerce to issue the preliminary determination in a LTFV investigation within 140 days after
the date on which Commerce initiated the investigation. However, section 733(c)(1)(A)(b)(1) of

<sup>1</sup> See Wooden Cabinets and Vanities and Components Thereof from the People's Republic of China: Initiation of Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigation, 84 FR 12587 (April 2, 2019).

the Act permits Commerce to postpone the preliminary determination until no later than 190 days after the date on which Commerce initiated the investigation if: (A) the petitioner makes a timely request for a postponement; or (B) Commerce concludes that the parties concerned are cooperating, that the investigation is extraordinarily complicated, and that additional time is necessary to make a preliminary determination. Under 19 CFR 351.205(e), the petitioner must submit a request for postponement 25 days or more before the scheduled date of the preliminary determination and must state the reasons for the request. Commerce will grant the request unless it finds compelling reasons to deny the request.

On July 10, 2019, the petitioner<sup>2</sup> submitted a timely request that Commerce postpone the preliminary determination in the LTFV investigation.<sup>3</sup> The petitioner stated that it requests postponement to allow Commerce time to sufficiently review all questionnaires responses and request clarification and additional information as necessary.<sup>4</sup>

For the reasons stated above and because there are no compelling reasons to deny the request, Commerce, in accordance with section 733(c)(1)(A) of the Act, is postponing the deadline for the preliminary determination by 50 days (*i.e.*, 190 days after the date on which this investigation was initiated). As a result, Commerce will issue its preliminary determination no later than October 2, 2019. In accordance with section 735(a)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.210(b)(1), the deadline for the final determination of this investigation will continue to be 75 days after the date of the preliminary determination, unless postponed at a later date.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The petitioner is the American Kitchen Cabinet Alliance.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Petitioner's Letter, "Wooden Cabinets and Vanities and Components Thereof from the People's Republic of China: Request for Postponement of the Preliminary Determination," dated July 10, 2019.

## Notification to Interested Parties

This notice is issued and published pursuant to section 733(c)(2) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(f)(1).

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